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CAG FINDINGS ON MIG
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the MIG-21 deal has been indicated by the Comptroller and Auditor General for a series of bad decisions such as violating of contract and the transfer of old weaponry;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the decisions were taken by a Committee constituted by the Government;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI U.V. KRISHNAM RAJU)

(a) & (b): The report of the Comptroller and Auditor General indicates that the manufacturer did not honour the contract provisions for transfer of technology (TOT) and insisted for payment for TOT and that the manufacturer supplied certain weapons with old propellant.

(c) to (e): A joint techno-economic study was carried out in 1992 and the proposal for upgradation of MIG Bis aircraft was found to be comprehensive and cost effective, which has since been approved by the Government.